***To Kill a Mockingbird* News Story Rubric  
25 Points  
Due Date: January 6, 2012**

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|  | **Strong (4-5)** | **Fair (2-3)** | **Weak (1-0)** |
| Format 5 pts. | Name, Date, Class and Hour in upper left-hand corner. 12 pt. Font, Times or Arial. Title centered. Proper headers included. | Format reflects most specifications. | Format does not reflect specifications |
| **Completion/Good Use of Time**  5 pts. | Student has exhibited a good use of time given in class and the final product is totally complete. | Student has exhibited at times a good use of time given in class and the final product is near to complete. Some elements still need to be completed. | Student has exhibited a poor use of time given in class and/or the final product remains incomplete. |
| **Length/Content**  5 pts. | News Story is at least 3 paragraphs in length, including good, relevant content from Chapters 16-17. Uses paragraph writing strategies. | News Story is at least 2 paragraphs in length, including good, relevant content from Chapters 16-17. Uses paragraph writing strategies. | News Story is at least 1 paragraph in length, including good, relevant content from Chapters 16-17. Uses paragraph writing strategies. |
| Quotes/Evidence/Vocabulary5 pts. | At least **3** quotes are used in the project, including page numbers and vocabulary used in context.   Also, use of at least **3** sensory details and **5** precise words. | Between **2** quotes are used in the project, including page numbers and vocabulary used in context.  Also, use of at least **2** sensory details and **4** precise words. | **1** quote is used in the project, including page numbers and vocabulary in context.  Also, use of at least **1** sensory detail and **3** precise words. |
| Creativity 5 pts. | It is clear from the final project that creativity has been considered, with the project being attractive and attention-getting to the viewers. | The final project is creative in certain aspects, but could have used more thought in order to better capture the attention of the viewers. | The final project does not reflect thoughts of creativity and is not aesthetically, artistically, or comically pleasing to the viewer. |

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